PROTOCOL FOR LEARNERS

1. At Parkside Primary School we believe that all learners are entitled to certain rights and that among these are the right:

1.1. to learn and work in a disciplined environment without being disturbed by others.

1.2. to be treated fairly, courteously and with respect.

1.3. to express ideas and opinions freely in a tactful, respectful manner.

1.4. to feel safe and secure within a clean, well-maintained environment.

1.5. to derive benefit from the good name of Parkside Primary School.

2. But, that with RIGHTS come RESPONSIBILITES which all learners are obliged to accept. These include the responsibility:

2.1. to be attentive and co-operative during lessons and to work to the best of their abilities, exploiting their individual talents to the full.

2.2. to respect authority.

2.3. to be courteous and respectful both towards each other and towards teachers

2.4. always showing tolerance towards those whose ideas and beliefs differ from their own.

2.5. to be punctual, self-disciplined and to honour all commitments, to Parkside such as practices, matches, rehearsals and staying in if necessary.

2.6. to respect school property as well as the property of others.

2.7. to maintain and promote the good name of Parkside– no fighting, graffiti or bad language, wear the uniform with pride, loyalty.

2.8. to show good sportsmanship, both on and off the field of play.

2.9. to ensure that Homework, assignments, projects and teach backs are completed timeously.

2.10. to submit to random searches which do not violate the individual's constitutional rights. (Conducted as per regulation)

2.11. to accept the punishment which is meted out if they fail to adhere to the aforementioned rules.

3. Our wish is for all our learners to develop the necessary self-discipline and social skills which will allow them to behave responsibly both in and out of school.

4. Our rules are meant to re-enforce patterns of good behaviour and consideration for others at all times.

- **<u>To this end</u>:**

4.1. The behaviour of the learners at all times must be a credit to the school, particularly when in school uniform. Learners may never wear only part of the school uniform (eg. Dress without shoes and socks; dress without a belt; Track-suit leggings without the Track-suit jacket), even when shopping with their parents.

4.2. It is compulsory for every learner to follow the Uniform Code policy prescribed for learners.

4.3. Learners must walk when moving within the school buildings. No running or playing will be allowed on verandas, in toilets in classrooms and on stairs.

4.4. Learners may not litter.

4.5. Vandalism and defacement of school property will not be tolerated. This includes writing on walls and on desks.

4.6. No learner may leave the grounds without permission from the principal or deputy principal.

4.7. Learners must supply notes when absent from school; wishing to leave school during school time, for an appointment, when unable to wear the full school uniform or unable to attend P.E. or an extra-mural activity.

4.8. We encourage learners to show courtesy and good manners at all times. They are expected to greet adults who visit, or work at the school.

4.9. We discourage any tendency to take things for granted, and so learners are expected to thank their teachers for their

lessons and their coaches for giving of their time and expertise in their extra-curricular activities.

4.10. Learners may not arrive at school later than 07h30 and before 07h00. Prior to 07h00 a learner is at school at his/her own risk.

4.11. Learners may not leave or enter the school via the main entrance.

4.12. Toys, electronic equipment such as Ipods, MP3/MP4 players, hand held computer games, chewing gum, fireworks, cell phones and pets are forbidden.

4.13. The use of profane language and graffiti is fobidden and will not be tolerated.

4.14. Classrooms, stairs and corridors are out of bounds outside lesson periods. Learners may not enter classrooms unless a staff member is present.

4.15. The swimming pool, Domestic Staff quarters, grass banks, staffroom and main parking area are out of bounds.

4.16. Stealing or tampering with someone else's property will not be tolerated. Theft will be referred to the S.A Police.

4.17. Any form of bullying, fighting, victimisation, intimidation or racism will not be tolerated.

4.18. The riding of bicycles in the school grounds is strictly forbidden.

4.19. Smoking, pornographic material, matches, alcohol, harmful drugs or other harmful substances or objects, e.g. knives, is strictly forbidden.

4.20. Any form of dishonest behaviour will not be tolerated.

5. Corrective and/or punitive measures will be applied according to the measures indicated in the School's Code of Conduct acknowledged and signed by each learner, parent or guardian.